



NATIONAL WALK TO SCHOOL DAY WAS A BLAST FOR GATOR RUN STUDENTS!

BSO's Weston District, Memorial Hospital, Principal Keith Peters and hundreds of students WALKED to school on Wednesday, October 9th!



Mark your calendars for National Bike to School Day 2014 – May 7th!

For more information about Bike/Walk to School Day, visit

<http://www.walkbiketoschool.org/ready/about-the-events/walk-to-school-day>.



October 15, 2013

FLORIDA CITY GOVERNMENT WEEK October 20 – 26, 2013

Florida City Government Week is a time to recognize the important role played by city government in our lives and the week of October 20th – 26th offers an excellent opportunity to spread the word to all the citizens of Florida that they can shape and influence this branch of government. Because city government is the government closest to most citizens, and the one with the most direct daily impact upon its residents, municipal officials feel they have a responsibility to pass along their understanding of public services and their benefits.

Cities across Florida will be celebrating City Government Week, sponsored by the Florida League of Cities (FLC), to showcase and celebrate cities and the many services they provide. The League is the official organization of the municipal governments in Florida, designed and established to meet and serve the needs of Florida's municipalities and their citizens.



During Florida City Government Week, the City of Weston supports this effort by initiating our annual seven month long Weston University program which begins on October 23rd. This civic education program teaches high school students about municipal government through a variety of classroom and hands-on experiences. The Weston City Commission supports and encourages educational partnerships between city government and schools and encourages all citizens to realize their potential to shape and influence government through their civic involvement.

For more information on Florida City Government Week, please visit <http://www.floridaleagueofcities.com>.



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WESTON UNIVERSITY PROGRAM CLASS OF 2014 BEGINS NEXT WEEK

Government has never been so fun!

The City's unique Weston University Program is starting its twelfth year of providing select high school students with an in-depth and personalized civics education. Established in 2002, each year a total of 24 students, sophomores, juniors and seniors, are selected from Cypress Bay, Sagemont and Western High Schools.



The program is a combination of classroom instruction and conversations by senior city staff; appointed and elected officials including the City Manager, City Attorney and the Mayor; and hands-on exercises and field trips. Students meet once monthly for seven months, for a full school day.

For additional information on the Weston University program click on the link: <http://www.westonfl.org/Departments/Communications/YouthInGovernment.aspx>.



PHOTOS FROM CLASS OF 2013





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QUARTERLY BULK TRASH PICKUP IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD - OCTOBER

FREE Bulk Pickup will take place on your *regularly scheduled garbage collection day* and all items should be curbside by 7 a.m. on that day.

Single Family Homes:	Wednesday, October 23 rd
	Thursday, October 24 th
	Friday, October 25 th
Multi-family units with dumpsters:	Saturday, October 26 th

Bulk items include but are not limited to:

- Furniture, mattresses, carpets and other large household items.
- Large and small appliances, such as dishwashers, laundry machines and stoves.
- Refrigerators or air conditioners must have Freon removed by a certified dealer.
- Mirrors, glass, glass top tables, windowpanes, and plate glass items should be safely placed in a rigid container to facilitate safe collection.

NOT COLLECTED: Bulk items DO NOT include contractor-generated material, or vegetative waste (landscape materials) or household hazardous waste (HHW). Vegetative/Landscape waste is collected with your regular garbage collection.

THINK BEFORE YOU THROW – CONSIDER DONATING:

Help those in need, keep items out of the waste stream, **and** get a tax deduction. Several national organizations will even pick-up directly from your residence – you don't have to wait for bulk pick-up day! There are many local, well-established charitable organizations that readily accept donated items.



For questions regarding bulk pickup please call the City of Weston Public Works Services Center at 954-385-2600 or visit our website at www.westonfl.org/Departments/PublicWorks/BulkPickup.aspx.



BROWARD COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS National College Fair October 23rd



Need help making a decision on a college? Need more information on admissions? Attend the National College Fair!

All college-bound students and their families should attend the Greater Fort Lauderdale National College Fair on **Wednesday, October 23, 2013, from 9:00AM – 1PM and 5:00PM – 8:30PM** at the Broward County Convention Center, 1950 Eisenhower Blvd, Fort Lauderdale.

As the process to select a college becomes more and more competitive and complex, students and parents need all the help and information they can get. Attending a college fair is the best way to gather information. The National College Fair program provides valuable resources for students and parents attempting to navigate the college-admission process.

The college fair allows students and parents to meet one-on-one with admission representatives from a wide range of national and international, public and private, two-year and four-year colleges and universities. Participants will learn about admission requirements, financial aid, course offerings, and campus environment, as well as other information pertinent to the college-selection process.

Evening workshops will cover such topics as Financial Aid and the Bright Future Scholarship Program, Highly Competitive Colleges, Hot Jobs and Majors in the 21st Century and Preparing Your NCAA Athlete. Translators will also be available. Parking fee is \$5.



For registration, information and a schedule of evening information workshops, visit www.browardschools.com/collegefair. Students are encouraged to register prior to attending the event.

For more information about the Greater Fort Lauderdale National College Fair, contact Ralph Aiello at 754-321-2119.



CALLING ALL RUNNERS

Get Fit to Run **FREE** Lecture Series: Training for the big race
Wednesday, October 23rd

GET FIT TO RUN!

FREE Lecture to help runners of every skill level.

New this year is a lecture series leading up to the December 8th 5K/Half-Marathon Run for Tomorrow. This new lecture series is beneficial for established, intermediate or beginning runners. Light snacks and refreshments will be served.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23rd 7PM-9M

- Cypress Bay High School Auditorium
18600 Vista Park Blvd., Weston
- Space is limited and pre-registration is required, please call 954-837-1130



You've decided to run a marathon, half marathon or 5K. Now what? Join us for tips on how to train safely and effectively to achieve your personal best.

- Fuel your body for training and race day
- Avoid common running injuries
- Improve your form
- Learn strength training exercises
- Free BMI and Blood Pressure screenings offered before and after the program
- Raffle prizes all night

The Expert Presenters:

- Dr. Jesse Shaw, Physical Therapist from Doctor's Hospital, Panel Leader
- Dr. Lina Peterson, Physical Therapist
- Lucette Talamas, R. D.



Sign up today for the 16th Annual Run for Tomorrow; Sunday, December 8th.

- Half Marathon and 5K
- 1-Mile Family Health Walk

Early registration discounts. Please visit www.westonrotary.com/run-for-tomorrow to register.



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3rd ANNUAL HARVEST DRIVE KICKS OFF WITH COMMUNITY FUN DAY & FOOD COLLECTION

Children Helping Children...
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3rd

Since 1992, the Harvest Drive has been a yearlong project that culminates in a food collection event that takes place at numerous public schools prior to Thanksgiving. Fundraising efforts and collections go on throughout the fall season. This year students from over 150 public and private schools, as well as churches, temples and neighborhoods are holding drives to supply the Harvest Drive with the non-perishable food that is distributed to the families.

The unique characteristic of the program is that in addition to the business and corporate donations, **children** are at the helm of all collections. In addition to helping others, the purpose of the Harvest Drive is to teach children at an early age that their contributions can make a difference in the lives of others, by facilitating their direct participation in the project.

The Harvest Drive provides Broward County based needy families with children with a complete Thanksgiving meal and a week's worth of groceries, as well as personal and household necessities during the Thanksgiving season.

THIS YEAR'S GOAL: Feed 2,000 families in Broward

**JOIN THE KICKOFF EFFORT AT THE COMMUNITY FUN DAY
Sunday, November 3rd from 2pm – 6pm at Weston Town Center
*Start Collecting Today and Bring Your Items on November 3rd***

Requested non-perishable items:

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| Juice | Pancake Mix | Cereal/Oatmeal |
| Rice | Pasta | Cookies |
| Jelly | Peanut Butter | Stuffing |
| Canned: | Meats | Vegetables |
| | Cranberries | Gravy |
| | Fruit | Sweet Potatoes |
| Napkins | Aluminum Foil | Shampoo |
| Dish Soap | Laundry Detergent | |
| Toothpaste | Soap/Body Wash | |



Sorting day at Western High School!

For more information please visit www.harvestdriveflorida.com.



MESSAGE FROM CHIEF BOUCHILLON TRICK OR TREATING HALLOWEEN SAFETY TIPS

Superheroes, princesses and ghouls will soon take to our streets to begin their quest for tricks or treats! Whether dressing up and trick-or-treating or attending a celebration, autumn events like Halloween can be a fun time for children and their families.

Unfortunately, these events can also present us with numerous dangers. Here are some important safety tips:



- According to the National Fire Protection Association, decorations are the first thing to ignite in more than 1,000 reported home fires each year. Make sure children know how to stop, drop and roll.
- Trick-or-treaters can easily come into contact with open flames in pumpkins and other decorations. Use flashlights as alternatives to candles or torch lights when decorating walkways and homes. Costumes and other common decorations can be highly flammable.
- Provide children with flashlights to carry or incorporate glow sticks as part of their costume. When driving, drive slowly through neighborhoods and pay special attention for pedestrians.
- Make sure a trusted adult or older child accompanies younger children when trick-or-treating. Never let young children trick-or-treat alone.
- Tell children to only approach homes that are well lit, both inside and out.



- Consider organizing or attending a party at home, a school, or community center as a good alternative to trick-or-treating.
- Parents should carefully scrutinize the candy and treats children receive. Be on the lookout for choking hazards and tampering. Allow children to eat only factory wrapped treats.

By taking the time to review these Halloween safety tips with your children, Halloween will be spooktacularly safe and an enjoyable event! For more information, please contact Chief Bouchillon at 954-389-2015 or at Harris_Bouchillon@Sheriff.org.



October 15, 2013

FREE PERFORMING ARTS FOR CHILDREN Fun and Exciting Magic and Puppet Shows



times at 1:30 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. performances.

ited for ages Pre-K thru 2nd grade parent or guardian.

formances held at
WESTON COMMUNITY CENTER
the Weston Regional Park

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FOR CHILDREN

inside the Weston Regional Park
20200 Saddle Club Road
Weston, Florida 33327
954-389-4321

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Saturday, November 16, 2013
Puppet Show – Magic Show with

Saturday, February 1, 2014
Professional Puppet Show –

Saturday, March 15, 2014
Professional Pupp

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Professional Puppet show
The Tortoise and the Hare
Televised coverage modernizes this Aesop's fable about a great race between a loveable tortoise and an arrogant hare. In addition to the moral that perseverance

magic show with
Magician Dave Kaplan
Coins, cards, ropes, scarves & rings... the magic happens right before your eyes!

Professional Pupp
The Frog Prince
In this enchanted version of the tale, Wanda the spell on the prince, turning frog. To break



UPCOMING EVENTS & PROGRAMS



CITY COMMISSION MEETING

Monday, October 21st 7:00pm

A regular meeting of the Weston City Commission.

Location: Weston City Hall, 17200 Royal Palm Blvd.



QUARTERLY RESIDENTIAL BULK PICKUP

Wed., Oct. 23rd, Thur., Oct. 24th, Fri., Oct. 25th.

Multi-Family: *Sat., Oct. 26th

Bulk trash will be picked up **on your regularly scheduled collection day**. Bulk trash must be placed curbside by 7 a.m. For residences with dumpster service, place items alongside dumpster. *Indicates pick-up for multi-family units. *For more information, call Public Services at 954-385-2600.*

THINK BEFORE YOU THROW – Consider donating before tossing.

Several national organizations will even pick-up directly from your residence – you don't even have to wait for bulk pick-up day! There are many local, well-established charitable organizations that readily accept donated items.



CALLING ALL RUNNERS - Training for the big race

Wednesday, October 23rd 7:00pm-9:00pm

Seminar providing information on how to train safely & effectively to achieve your personal best whether training for a marathon or 5K. BMI and Blood Pressure screenings before and after the program.

Speakers: Dr. Jesse Shaw, Dr. Lina Peterson, Physical Therapy and Lucette Talamas, R.D.

Location: Cypress Bay High School Auditorium, 18600 Vista Park Blvd., Weston.

REGISTRATION Required: Free event, limited space. Please call 954-837-1130.

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PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FILING DATES-2013

Special sign-up dates within Weston

No need to drive downtown. The Broward County Property Appraiser is providing dates for homeowner sign-up at two Weston locations for Homestead, Senior and other property tax exemptions. For information visit www.bcpa.net.

Weston Community Center	20200 Saddle Club Road	4:30PM – 6:00PM
Mon., October 28 th	■ Mon., November 25 th	■ Mon., December 16 th
Bonaventure Town Center Club	16690 Saddle Club Road	4:30PM – 6:00PM
Tues., November 5 th	■ Tues., December 3 rd	

Documents required to file a Homestead Exemption: A current Florida driver's license or Florida identification card, AND A current voter registration card or declaration of domicile (Non-US citizens must also provide proof of legal residency).



CITY COMMISSION MEETING

Monday, November 4th 7:00pm

A regular meeting of the Weston City Commission.

Location: Weston City Hall, 17200 Royal Palm Blvd.



VETERANS DAY OBSERVED

Monday, November 11th – City Offices Closed

All City administrative offices will be closed in observance of Veterans Day. Veterans Day is a day set aside to honor the members of our military, past and present. Please take a moment to pause and give thanks to all of our men and women who have served in uniform, and for those protecting our country today.

All city parks will be open and there is regular garbage collection.



MAGIC SHOW

Saturday, November 16th 1:30PM & 3:00PM

Don't miss this free family event! Coins, cards, ropes, scarves & rings... the magic happens right before your eyes!

Suggested Age Level: Pre K – 2nd Grade. Info: 954-389-4321

Location: The Weston Community Center, 20200 Saddle Club Rd.



FREE MOONLIGHT MOVIE IN THE PARK

The Croods

Saturday, November 16th 7:30pm

This prehistoric adventure follows a family as they embark on the journey of a lifetime after their cave that shielded them from danger is destroyed. As they travel across the spectacular landscape, they discover an incredible new world filled with fantastic creatures.

Location: Event Stage next to the Community Center in the Weston Regional Park, 20200 Saddle Club Road. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. 954-389-4321.

Bring lawn chairs or blankets and sit back and relax....the movie is on us!



CPR SAFE COMMUNITY INITIATIVE

BSO Weston Fire Rescue - This program offers FREE CPR classes to residents, organizations and businesses and their employees. Convenient weeknight and weekend CPR classes are offered as well as training right at your own location at a time convenient for you (min. 8 persons). **Call 954-389-2015** today.



SMOKE ALARM AND BATTERY REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

BSO Weston Fire Rescue - This program is designed to reach resident seniors or the disabled who are unable to safely install smoke alarms and/or replace the batteries in existing alarms. Please call **954-389-2015** to schedule this FREE service for our Weston residents.



WESTON DELIVERS THE LATEST NEWS DIRECTLY TO YOUR INBOX

Select from two options (*we recommend BOTH*):

- **Newsday Tuesday:** A collection of city news articles, information and events.
- **General Notifications:** Updates on construction projects; media releases; sports registrations and events. Subscribe at www.westonfl.org/EmailSubscriptions.aspx.



REGISTER FOR CodeRED TODAY

Hurricane Season began June 1st – be prepared!

All residents and businesses should register with the City's CodeRED Emergency Notification System. The

City will only send out a message on CodeRED in an emergency situation or to update residents after an emergency. To register, please visit

<http://www.westonfl.org/Residents/Hurricane/CodeRed.aspx>.